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September 12, 2003

Dear Stakeholder:

The draft program Environmental Impact Report (EIR)/federal-level Tier-1 Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) scheduled for release September 23, 2003 has been delayed due to longer review time by agencies. We anticipate the draft program EIR/EIS will be made available prior to the October Authority meeting.

At the July 22, 2003 board meeting in Los Angeles preliminary findings for the draft environmental studies on a variety of topics was presented to the Board. Additionally, the Authority approved the release of a request for proposal for the Implementation Plan.

The California High-Speed Rail Authority's September 23, 2003 public Board Meeting will be held at the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission located at 505 Van Ness Avenue in San Francisco. This meeting will include the selection of Contractor/Team for the Public Outreach and the Implementation Plan contracts.

Comments can be sent to our mailing address, via our website (www.cahighspeedrail.ca.gov) or by attending our Authority meetings. The Authority looks forward to your input.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mehdi Morshed".

Mehdi Morshed
Executive Director

